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Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed on April 8, 2003. Claims 1 and 3-26 remain in this application. Claims 15-24 are withdrawn from consideration.

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AMENDMENT

Please amend paragraph 4 as follows:

Hence, there is a need in the art for an improved modular forming track which forms plastic tubing to a desired shape for thermosetting which provides additional support for the tubing and does not scare scar the tubing.